



Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Wildlife Bureau
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Dear Interested Person:

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks is requesting public comment on proposed 2013 Black Bear Quotas, 2013 Spring Turkey Quotas and a proposed closure of Bighorn Sheep Hunting District (HD) 455 due to a currently low sheep population level. Additional information is below. Note public comment deadline.

2013 Black Bear Quotas – Proposed

Proposed adjustments to harvest quotas outside biennial quota ranges listed below. All other quotas will remain unchanged from 2012 or will be adjusted within existing quota ranges.

- BMU 700: Increase the fall license quota from 4 to 8

2013 Spring Turkey Quotas – Proposed

Proposed adjustments to special permit quotas listed below. All other quotas are proposed to remain unchanged from 2012.

- 282-20: Increase spring turkey special permits from 100 to 150
- 445-20: Decrease spring turkey special permits from 10 to 5

HD 455 Bighorn Sheep Closure – Proposed

Proposed closure of Bighorn Sheep HD 455 due to currently low sheep population level.

COMMENT PERIOD DEADLINES AND FINAL ADOPTION MEETINGS

The deadline for public comment on the proposed 2013 Black Bear Quotas, 2013 Spring Turkey Quotas and HD 455 Bighorn Sheep Closure is 5:00 PM Monday, January 28, 2013. Final adoption on these items will be made at the February 14, 2013 FWP Commission meeting.

TO MAKE COMMENT

For further clarification, you may call the Wildlife Bureau office at 406-444-2612. To submit comments electronically, this letter with the imbedded links below can be found under “Opportunity for Public Comment” on the Hunting home page at the fwp.mt.gov website. Written comments can be sent to: FWP – Wildlife Bureau, Attn: Public Comment, POB 200701, Helena MT 59620-0701.

Imbedded Links to Submit Public Comment

2013 Black Bear Quotas – Proposed

The deadline for public comment on this item is 5:00 PM Monday, January 28, 2013.

<http://fwp.mt.gov/hunting/publicComments/2013proposedBlackBearQuotas.html>

2013 Spring Turkey Quotas – Proposed

The deadline for public comment on this item is 5:00 PM Monday, January 28, 2013.

<http://fwp.mt.gov/hunting/publicComments/2013proposedSpringTurkeyQuotas.html>

HD 455 Bighorn Sheep Closure – Proposed

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